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SUBJECT: NEW FRENCH AMBASSADOR TO NICARAGUA, ABDELMEJID
KEBAILI

1. BORN 16 APRIL 1917 AT LA GOULETTE IN TUNISIA, KEBAILI
WAS EDUCATED IN TUNISIA AND FRANCE, RECEIVING HIS LAW
DEGREE AFTER STUDIES IN ALGIERS AND PARIS. HE WAS
MOBILIZED IN 1939-40 AND LATER JOINED THE FREE FRENCH
FORCES IN DECEMBER 1942. AFTER THE WAR, KEBAILI
ENTERED THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTRY IN OCTOBER 1945.
2. FOLLOWING THREE YEARS IN THE OFFICE OF INFORMATION
AND PRESS AFFAIRS (1945-48), KEBAILI WAS NAMED ATTACHE
IN THE LOS ANGELES CONSULATE IN 1949 AND THEN MOVED TO
SAN FRANCISCO AS CONSUL SUPPLEANT IN 1950.
IN 1952 HE BECAME VICE CONSUL IN NEW YORK WHERE HE
REMAINED UNTIL 1958. KEBAILI WAS SECOND
COUNSELOR IN MEXICO CITY (1958-1963) AND THEN IN NAIROBI
(1964-68). FROM 1968 UNTIL 1972 HE SERVED AS CONSUL
GENERAL IN BOMBAY. HE BECAME AMBASSADOR TO OMAN IN
JANUARY 1974, SERVING IN MUSCAT UNTIL JUNE 1976.
KEBAILI HAS BEEN ATTACHED TO CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION WITH-
IN THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTRY SINCE LEAVING OMAN.

3. AMONG OTHER AWARDS, KEBAILI HOLDS THE CHEVALIER DE LA
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LEGION D'HONNEUR AND OFFICIER DE L'ORDRE NATIONAL DU
MERITE. HE HAS BEEN MARRIED SINCE 1964 TO THE FORMER
JACQUELINE SENUT. KEBAILI CARRIES THE RANK OF COUNSELOR
OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS FIRST CLASS.
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